

Remarks

Claim 6 is presently canceled.

Claims 7-24 are now present in this application and are in condition for allowance.

Claim 6 is rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Mahood, U.S. Pat. No. 5,468,895.

Applicants cancel claim 6 without prejudice and reserve the right to file a continuation application to pursue this subject matter.

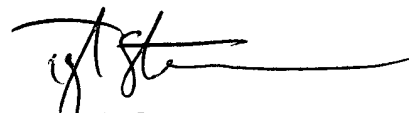
Remaining claims 7-24 are in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is kindly requested to pass claims 7-24 to issue.

Information Disclosure Statement of June 22, 2001

Applicants note that page 7 of 8 of the Information Disclosure Statement mailed June 22, 2001 was not returned with the Office Action of Nov. 19, 2002. The Examiner is kindly requested to return an initialed copy of said page to indicated the references thereon have been considered.

Respectfully submitted,



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